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In re Application of: Joseph Hillman
Serial No.: 10/639,077
Filed: August 11, 2003
Entitled: ALIGNMENT MEANS FOR CHAMBER CLOSURE TO REDUCE WEAR ON SURFACES
Group Art Unit 1763
Examiner Kackar, Ram

Mail Stop Amendment
Commission for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

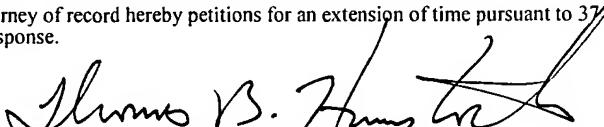
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	43	MINUS	40	3	50.00	150.00
Independent Claims	8	MINUS	5	3	200.00	600.00
First Presentation Of Multiple Dependent Claim						290.00
						TOTAL 750.00

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1. No additional fee is required.
2. A check in the amount of \$750.00 is attached.
3. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1275. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
4. Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), as may be required, to file this response.

Dated: May 22, 2006

By: 

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1763
Joseph Hillman) Examiner: Kackar, Ram
Serial No.: 10/639,077) **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
Filed: August 11, 2003) OFFICIAL ACTION DATED
For: **ALIGNMENT MEANS FOR
CHAMBER CLOSURE TO REDUCE
WEAR ON SURFACES**) APRIL 7, 2006
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 7, 2006, Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the arguments and claim amendments set forth fully below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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